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FOLLOWING REPEAT BRIDGETOWN 2738 ACTION SECSTATE INFO
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FROM U.S. DELEGATE ROBERT F. ANDREW

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SUBJ: PAN AMERICAN SANITARY CONFERENCE, GRENADA-ELECTIONS

1. CONFERENCE PLENARY ON SEPTEMBER 27 RE-ELECTED
DR. HECTOR ACUNA ON FIRST BALLOT TO FOUR YEAR TERM AS
DIRECTOR OF PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION. VOTE WAS 18
FOR ACUNA, 12 FOR VALLADAREZ OF VENEZUELA, 2 FOR
DE LA TORRE OF ECUADOR. ACUNA'S VICTORY WAS HELPED BY PRIVATE
MEETING OF HEADS OF DELEGATIONS ON SEPTEMBER 25 WHICH
DISCUSSED WITH ACUNA VARIOUS ALLEGATIONS MADE
AGAINST HIM IN RECENT MONTHS, CHIEFLY BY STAFF COMMITTEE.
THAT MEETING CONCLUDED THAT THE ALLEGATIONS LACKED MERIT.

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2. THE ELECTION OF THREE NEW MEMBERS TO THE EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE, WHICH IMMEDIATELY PRECEDED THE ELECTON OF THE
DIRECTOR WAS ALSO CONCLUDED IN A SINGLE BALLOT. SUCCESSFUL
CANDIDATES WERE U.S. (25 VOTES), PERU (24), GUATEMALA (20).
CHIEF RUNNER UP WAS GUYANA (17). BOTH ELECTIONS WERE
CONDUCTED IN CALM AND BUSINESSLIKE ATMOSPHERE.

3. DEPARTMENT PASS TO ALL ARA DIPLOMATIC POSTS.

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